FDI in Print Media

†1997. SHRI KAPIL SIBAL:
SHRI RAM JETHMALANI:
SHRI P.K. MAHESHWARI:

Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have laid down necessary guidelines after giving the approval for foreign investment in Print Media;

(b) if so, the details of the guidelines;

(c) by when these are likely to be implemented;

(d) whether Government have received any objection relating to FDI in Print Media; and

(e) if so, the details thereof and Government's reaction thereto?

THE MINISTER OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRIMATI SUSHMA SWARAJ): (a) to (c) The Government is in the process of making guidelines for the implementation of the decision taken by the Cabinet for allowing FDI in Print Media.

(d) and (e) The concerns expressed in various quarters have been addressed while arriving at the decision of allowing FDI in Print Media.

Films Division Films

†1998. SHRI RAM JETHMALANI:
SHRI RAJIV RANJAN SINGH 'LALAN':

Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that permission for making commercial films has been granted to the Films Division so as to increase its earnings;

(b) if so, when this permission was granted;

(c) whether exhibition of the films made by Films Division has been started; and

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.